MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FIFTIETH DAY.

Monday, 25th April 1955.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Old Public Offices, Bangalore, at welve of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI H. S. RUDRAPPA, B.SC., LL.B.) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Dr. Coleman's Report.

Q.—417. **Sri Mulka GOVINDA EDDY** (Chitaldrug).—

Will the Government be pleased to ate:—

(*a*) whether Dr. Coleman, former irector of Agriculture, toured in ysore State ;

(*b*) whether he has submitted any port to the Government ;

(*c*) what are his recommendations ;

(*d*) what steps the Government have taken on the basis of the report ?

A.—**Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA** (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The main recommendations are indicated in the Statement I appended below.

(*d*) 24 of his recommendation as per appended Statement II below have been accepted by Government and are under several stages of implementation.

STATEMENT I

Recommendations of Dr. Coleman.

1. The Director of Agriculture should have training in Agriculture or in one of its related sciences.
2. Members of the staff of the Research Sections should be recruited exclusively from Honours Science Graduates.
3. Equipment of Plant Pathology Department is largely worn out and requires thorough overhauling.
4. There is not sub-section in Agricultural Chemistry Section or Soil Surveys. A section should be established for surveying black soil areas under Lakkavalli Reservoir, area in Hunsur Taluk and uncultivated areas of the Malnad.
5. Close association should be established between the Plant Pathology and Plant Breeding Sections in order to breed for disease resistance.
6. Senior Plant Breeding Officer should live at or near the Station where work is centered.
7. Closer association should be established between the officers of Research and Extension Sections.
8. Large wet areas at Babbur hardly justifies its existence.
9. Haradanahalli Farm may be closed.
10. The Kar Ragi Breeding Station which was closed in 1940 may be reopened to breed Kar Ragi and other crops suited to this area.
11. Multiplication of seeds should be left to private growers.
12. The seed multiplication if done by the Agricultural Department, the revenue should exceed expenditure.
13. Research activities may not be expected to pay their way.

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14. Starting of a Cocoanut Research Station at Tiptur or Arsikere may be explored.
15. Assistant Directors should not be transferred frequently.
16. Three Assistant Directors not trained in Agriculture may be transferred to Science Sections.
17. Equalisation of grades of pay for doing the same work should be established.
18. The Agricultural College may be kept at Hebbal.
19. Suitable buildings may be provided.
20. Small herds of Dairy drough cattle, sheep and poultry may be kept at Hebbal.
21. In the place of one of the Veterinary Instructors a man with experience in Animal Husbandry may be employed.
22. Dr. Chandrasekhar should be co-opted as an Adviser (with regard to this for the college).
23. Ramakrishna Krishi Shala should be used to train Village Workers and Fieldmen.
24. Somanahalli School may be closed.
25. For teaching Agriculture in High Schools and Middle Schools, teachers trained in Agriculture must be appointed. There must be a plot of ground and a well.
26. Village Improvement Scheme should be under Agricultural Officers, four out of nine districts.
27. Amritmahal work should be under Dr. Chandrasekhar. If he shows ability, putting him in charge of breeding work may be seriously considered.
28. Three Departments, *viz.*, Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Horticulture may be under one Commissioner of Agriculture.

STATEMENT II.

Recommendations of Dr. Coleman accepted by Government.

1. Members of the Staff of the Research Sections should ordinarily be recruited exclusively from Honours Science Graduates.
2. The Equipment of Plant Pathology Department is largely worn out and requires thorough overhauling.
3. There is no sub-section in the Agricultural Chemistry section for Soil Surveys. A section should be established for Surveying Black Soil areas under Lakkavalli Reservoir, area in Hunsur Taluk and uncultivated areas for the Malnad.
4. Close association should be established between the Plant Pathology and Plant Breeding Sections in order to breed for disease resistance.
5. Senior Plant Breeding Officer should live at or near the Station where work centred.
6. Closer associations should be established between the Officers of Research Section and Extension Section.
7. Large wet areas at Babbur hardly justifies its existence.
8. Haradanahalli Farm may be closed.
9. The question of re-opening Kar Ragi Breeding Station which was closed in 1940 to breed Kar Ragi and other crops suited to this area may be examined.
10. Multiplication of seeds should be left to private growers.
11. The seed multiplication if done by the Agricultural Department, the revenue should exceed expenditure.

12. Research activities may not be expected to pay their way.
13. Starting of a Cocoanut Research Station at Tiptur or Arsikere may be explored.
14. Assistant Directors should not be transferred frequently.
15. Three Assistant Directors who are not trained in Agriculture, may be transferred to Science Sections.
16. Equalisation of grades of pay for doing the same work should be established.
17. Shifting of Agricultural College to Mandya may be examined.
18. Small herds of dairy drought cattle, sheep and poultry may be kept at Hebbal.
19. In the place of one of the Veterinary Inspectors, a man with experience in Animal Husbandry may be employed.
20. The Director of Animal Husbandry may be co-opted as an Adviser (with regard to this for the College).
21. There are proposals for starting Basic Agricultural Schools straightaway to train Village Level Workers for National Extension Blocks at Ramakrishna Krishi Sala and Somanahalli. Estimates may be got prepared.
22. For teaching Agriculture in High Schools and Middle Schools, teachers trained in Agriculture must be appointed. There must be a plot of ground and a well. This may be carried out as far as possible.
23. Regarding Village Improvement Scheme to be under Agricultural Officers in four out of nine Districts, it may be examined if this fits in with National Extension Service Scheme.
24. Amrit Mahal Work should be under Dr. Chandrasekhar. If he shows ability, the question of placing him in charge of Breeding work may be implemented.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—I have no supplementaries to ask.

Q.—826. **Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM** (Jagalur) [on behalf of Sri B. Hutche Gowda (Turuvekere)]:—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is not a fact that the late Dr. Coleman, a former Director of Agriculture, has submitted a report last year on the working of the departments he was previously in charge of, with suggestions for improvements;

(*b*) whether they place it on the Table of the House;

(*c*) whether they obtained the opinions of the Heads of Departments in this respect; if so, their opinion in the matter;

(*d*) the action taken by Government so far on the report and the further action they propose to take?

A.—**Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA** (Minister for Agriculture).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) As the report is lengthy only a summary of the recommendations made by Dr. Coleman is appended. (Please see Statement I appended to clause (*c*) of Question No. 417).

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Out of 28 recommendations made by Dr. Coleman, 24 have been accepted by Government (Please see Statement II appended to clause (*d*) of Question No. 417). The Heads of Departments concerned have been asked to implement them. They are under various stages of implementation.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Has Dr. Coleman made any recommendation regarding the continuance or otherwise of tractors and bulldozers and what is his opinion regarding the use of tractors?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Dr. Coleman was of the opinion that tractors